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TAGS: CARR, GY (LAYTON, LARRY)(PEOPLES TEMPLE)
SUBJC W/W ARRESTS: LARRY LAYTON
REF: GEORGETOWN 4408
1. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INTO THE DEATHS OF CONGRESSMAN RYAN AND FOUR OTHER AMERICANS RESUMED YESTERDAY (DEC 21). THE POLICE INSPECTOR WHO TOOK A STATEMENT FROM LARRY LAYTON FINSHED TESTIFYING, AND UNDERWENT CROSS-EXAMINATION BY SENIOR COUNSEL REX MCKAY. ODELL RHODES ALSO TESTIFIED CONCERNING EVENTS AT JONESTOWN ON NOV 17 AND 18. RHODES STATED THAT AT A MEETING CALLED BY REV. JIM JONES ON NOV 18, AFTER THE CONGRESSIONAL PARTY HAD LEFT JONESTOWN, JONES SAID THAT "RYAN WOULD BE KILLED." MCKAY OBJECTED THAT THE STATEMENT WAS HEARSAY AND THUS INADMISSIBLE. PROCECUTING COUNSEL NANDRAM KISSOON CONTENDED THAT THE STATEMENT WAS ADMISSIBLE AS PART OF THE EVIDENCE WHICH WOULD SHOW THAT A CONSPIRACY EXISTED BETWEEN JIM JONES, LAYTON AND OTHERS TO KILL RYAN. MAGISTRATE CHINTA AGREED WITH MCKAY THAT THE STATEMENT WAS INADMISSIBLE BECAUSE THERE HAD BEEN NO EVIDENCE BROUGHT FORTH TO DATE TO SHOW THAT A CONSPIRACY HAD BEEN LAID. RHODES SUBSEQUENTLY FINISHED HIS TESTIMONY AFTER CROSS-EXAMINATION AND RE-EXAMINATION WERE CONCLUDED.
2. INQUIRY IS SCHEDULED TO RESUME TODAY (DEC 22).
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